

BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT

Newville, Pennsylvania

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2017

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The Committee of the Whole of the Board of School Directors for the Big Spring School District met in the Big Spring High School Large Group Room, Room 140, at 7:17 P.M. with President Wilbur Wolf, Jr. presiding. Nine (9) directors present: Wilbur Wolf, Jr, President; William Swanson, Vice-President; Robert Lee Barrick, Secretary; David Gutshall, Treasurer; William Piper; Kingsley Blasco; Richard Roush; Bob Kanc; and Todd Deihl.

Others in attendance: Richard W. Fry, Superintendent; Kevin Roberts Jr, Assistant Superintendent; Richard Kerr, Business Manager; Robyn Euker, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; and Carol Frace, Board Minutes.

II. PRESENTATION

- A. Presentation** – Ms. Jocelyn Kraus, High School Counselor provided information to the Board of School Directors on the counseling department services.

[Presentation Attached.](#)

Specific questions regarding tonight's presentation:

1. Mr. Wolf inquired when they find out the results of the Lenfest Scholarship.
2. Mr. Wolf questioned if a student could request as many meetings with their guidance counselor as they like. Is that correct?

3. Mr. Kanc asked if they discuss the areas that a student needs to improve on.
4. Mr. Barrick stated that according to Lenfest website we are not eligible. They are currently not in Cumberland County.
5. Mr. Wolf asked if the criteria changed for the F/R information that things started changing in 2005.
6. Mr. Kanc inquired about students who qualify for the reduced program.
7. Mr. Piper asked who pays the SAT wavier fee.
8. Dr. Fry stated that in today's world colleges are looking for students. If we can pull students instead of pushing students than we have reached our goal. It takes of ton of education K through12 to get there.
9. Dr. Fry informed the Board of School Directors that mental health challenges are at all levels. We are working to educate everyone with poverty as well. We work with all students to provide counselling services even at the elementary level.
10. Mr. Wolf inquired if there is a list of questions that go with the separation exercise.
11. Dr. Fry informed the Board of School Directions that he would provide both activities to the all Board members.

III. PREVIEW OF THE AGENDA

President Wolf requested that the Board address NEW BUSINESS, PERSONNEL CONCERNS, Items A-1 through A-2 as a single action item.

IV. BUILDING & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

No discussion.

V. FINANCE COMMITTEE

No discussion.

VI. DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

No discussion.

VII. BOARD POLICY

No discussion.

VIII. ITEMS FROM FLOOR

No discussion.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Blasco to adjourn, seconded by Kanc to adjourn the meeting.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Swanson, Barrick, Gutshall, Piper,
Blasco, Roush, Kanc, and Deihl. Motion carried unanimously 9 – 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM

Robert Lee Barrick, Secretary